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A crowd of prisoners pushed up the bars and Winston began giving them good advice.

One youth began to cry.

"And I don't want any of you to say you see me after I'm gone," Winston said significantly. "If I go to heaven I won't want to come back. I ain't got anything here to stay for. I won't want to come back, and I won't. If I go to the bad place, the devil won't let me come back, and so I'll not come back either way, and I don't want any of you to say you saw me, either. If I come back it will be with my crown, golden slippers, robe and wings, do you hear?"

Then he would relapse into his chant, and some of the prisoners would continue to shed tears. Presently he saw several reporters and began to tell them not to say anything untrue about him.

"Here they came up here once and talked a little while and then went off and said I seen 'haunts.' I never seen a haunt in my life, gentlemen," he said. "I've been away back in this jail, and when I was out I used to sleep in old, broken down houses away off from anywhere, and I never saw one yet. I feel a little funny, but then I never did see a 'haunt.' The worst 'haunts' they is, gentlemen, is live 'haunts.'"

Winston at times appeared to be temporarily insane either with the dread of his doom, or from religious fervor. But he would soon, by his

common-sense remarks, convince his hearers that he was perfectly sane.

Among other statements, one was that he had not seen his mother nor sisters since 1851, and that he never thought about them now.

At 7 o'clock the jail enclosure was thrown open, Officer Sherman Phillips taking tickets. Sheriff Holland and deputy Rogers produced the rope, and attached it to the beam of the gallows. They then went after the condemned man.

Sheriff Holland read the death warrant to him, there was hasty prayer, and the march to the scaffold began. He walked, bareheaded, between Sheriff Holland and deputy Rogers, with others in the rear. The crowd pressed closely, but was kept back by policemen. Each one strained himself or herself to see the prisoner, who looked straight ahead most of the time.

THE CRIME RE-EXAMINED.

The crime for which Winston was hanged was one of the most horrible but heretofore committed in the state.

On the night of April 22 Winston went to the home of his mistress, Vina Stubblefield, a notorious negroess, living in Dumot's alley, and finding her absent went to sleep on her bed. Shortly after midnight the woman returned to the house and awoke him by striking a match.

Winston asked her for a cigarette. She replied that she did not have one and he became angered. They quarreled a few minutes and then, without a word of warning, Winston, in a manner true to his namesake, the devil, drew a knife and stabbed the woman in full view of Ed Morton, Isadore Herron and a woman named Ray.

After stabbing the woman he threw her bloody body on the bed from which he had just arisen and slashed her in a dozen different places, cutting arteries with every blow of the knife. After finishing his hellish work Winston took his vase, which was lying in the room, and walked out, shouting words of defiance at the astounded witnesses to the horrible butchery.

He went in the direction of the jail, but a crowd of men, who were in the yards and "Y" failed to reveal the murderer. He was captured by Marshall Jones Walker, at Fulton, the following Sunday, and brought to Paducah.

At his trial he did not testify at all, and seemed to accept his fate as a matter of course. He offered no reason why sentence should not be passed upon him, when Judge Bishop asked him, and never since he realized that the sentence was unjust, although he once said that McGilgott had been hanged with him.

Winston's past life.

George Winston was born in Crockett, Ohio county, Tenn., on May 2, 1855, and was 32 years old. He went south early in life, and began his career in New Orleans as cabin boy on a steamboat, afterwards becoming a roustabout. He afterwards went to Georgia, where in 1892 he was married to Butler, but lived with his wife but six months.

He leaves a mother, sister and brother in Ohio county, but has not heard from them in over ten years. He claims he was never arrested but once in his life before he came to Paducah, and that was in Georgia for carrying a pistol. Judging from what he said of the subtle power of Vina Stubblefield exerted over him, she must have been a "hypnotist."

THE HANGING SINCE '99.

Today's hanging was the first since 1899, when Jesse Brown, colored, was executed for the murder of "Babe" Laurie. He was hanged on Jan. 15, early in the morning, and it was one of the coldest days ever experienced here, the thermometer being below zero. Notwithstanding the cold weather, however, the condemned man perspired so that steam arose from his face.

Winston's fall.

One of the doctors present stated in way of explanation of why Winston's neck was not broken, that it was because the knot slipped around back of his neck, and because his feet struck the ground when he dropped, breaking, to some extent, however slight, the fall.

SOME OF THE SPECTATORS.

Among the spectators were Mayor Telsor, City Physician Williamson, many of the city and county officers, Sheriff Starks, of Benton, and Detective John Lehnardt, of Evansville. Marshall Collins declined to go.

THE REMAINS.

Coroner Nance will inter the remains in Potter's field tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, beside the grave of his victim, if it can be found. The coroner found it a difficult matter today to keep the people who wanted to see the remains away.

This afternoon he threw open the rear of his establishment and let them view the body.

A large number of people visited the jail during the day and took a look at the scaffold.

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Six Pass Through En Route to New Orleans.

Making Their Regular Annual Trip of Inspection From Pittsburg.

The following Ohio river pilots, making their yearly trip down the Ohio to inspect the channel, passed through the city last night on route from Pittsburg to Cairo, thence to New Orleans. The party consisted of Messrs. C. F. Owen, Dayton, Ky.; Henry Doss, Cincinnati; Walter S. Connor and A. Lyon, New Albany; Howard Fenton, Newport; Stewart Connor, Cincinnati.

These pilots, with many others, pass down from Pittsburg to New Orleans every year, to find what changes have been made in the channel.

THE COURTS.

Damage Suit Dragging Through the Federal.

Nothing of Interest in the Police or Circuit Court.

U. S. COURT.

The prosecution in the two railroad damage suits closed its evidence this morning in the Federal court, and this afternoon several witnesses for the defense had been heard. The case will probably be finished by tomorrow.

George Petway, Fawcett Clark and W. E. Berryman, for violation of revenue laws, were fined \$100 and given 50 days in jail.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The case of R. L. Potter against D. B. Merrill is now on trial.

A motion was today made for a new hearing in the case of C. E. Jennings, committee, against Mrs. Spaulding.

POLICE COURT.

There was but one case in Judge Smeltzer's court today. Robert Crawford, colored, was arrested by Officers Seaver and Smeltzer last night for stabbing a couple of colored women and drawing a pistol on them. He had the pistol on him when arrested. He was fined \$50 and given twenty days in jail.

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The hour for the hanging was 7:05 and those with tickets did not begin to arrive until 6 o'clock and later. Doctors, officers, and newspaper men were admitted to the jail.

Winston talked, prayed and preached, alternately. He was asked where he was born, but replied he didn't have time to talk about it then, that his life was too short.

A crowd of prisoners pushed up the bars and Winston began giving them good advice.

One youth began to cry.

"And I don't want any of you to say you see me after I'm gone," Winston said significantly. "If I go to heaven I won't want to come back. I can't get anything back to say for. I won't want to come back, and I won't. If I go to the bad place, the devil won't let me come back, and so I'll not come back either way. And I don't want any of you to say you saw me, either. If I come back it will be with my crown, golden slippers, robe and wings, do you hear?"

Then he would relapse into his chant, and some of the prisoners would continue to shed tears. Presently he saw several reporters and began to tell them not to say anything untrue about him.

"Here they came up here once and talked a little while and then went off and said I seen 'banants.' I never seen a haunt in my life, gentlemen," he said. "I've been away back in this jail, and when I was out I used to sleep in old, broken down houses away off from anywhere, and I never saw one yet. I feel a little funny, but then I never did see a haunt. The worst 'banants' they is, gentlemen, is live 'banants.'"

Winston at times appeared to be temporarily insane either with the dread of his doom, or from religious fervor. But he would soon, by his

At his final trial he did not testify at all, and seemed to accept his fate as a matter of course. He offered no reason why sentence should not be passed upon him, when Judge Bishop asked him, and never since explained that the sentence was unjust, although he once said that Mr. Gillonght had been hanged with him.

WINSTON'S LAST LIFE.

George Winston was born in Crockett, Obion county, Tenn., on May 2, 1895, and was 32 years old. He went south early in life, and began his career in New Orleans as a cabin boy on a steamboat, afterwards becoming a roustabout. He afterwards went to Georgia, where in 1902 he was married in Butler, but lived with his wife but six months.

He leaves a mother, sister and brother in Obion county, but has not heard from them in over ten years. He claims he was never arrested but once in his life before he came to Paducah, and that was in Georgia for carrying a pistol. Judging from what he said of the subtle power Vina Stubblefield exerted over him, she must have been a "hypnotist."

FIRST HANGING SINCE '99.

Today's hanging was the first since 1899, when Jesse Brown, colored, was executed for the murder of "Babe" Laurie. He was hanged on Jan. 15, early in the morning, and it was one of the coldest days ever experienced here, the thermometer being below zero. Notwithstanding the cold weather, however, the condemned man perspired so that steam arose from his face.

WINSTON'S TALK.

One of the doctors present, stated in way of explanation of why Winston's neck was not broken, that it was because the knot slipped around back of his neck, and because his feet struck the ground when he dropped, breaking, to some extent, however slight, the fall.

SOME OF THE SPECTATORS.

Among the spectators were Mayor Teller, City Physician Williamson, many of the city and county officers, Sheriff Sparks, of Benton, and Detective John Leishard, of Evansville. Marshall Collins declined to go.

THE REMAINS.

Coroner Nance will inter the remains in Potter's field tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, beside the grave of his victim. If it can be found, the coroner found it a difficult matter today to keep the people who wanted to see the remains away.

This afternoon he threw open the rear of his establishment and let them view the body.

A large number of people visited the jail during the day and took a look at the scaffold.

OHIO RIVER PILOTS.

Six Pass Through En Route to New Orleans.

Making Their Regular Annual Trip of Inspection From Pittsburgh.

The following Ohio river pilots, making their yearly trip down the Ohio to inspect the channel, passed through the city last night en route from Pittsburgh to Cairo, thence to New Orleans. The party consisted of Messrs. C. F. Owen, Dayton, Ky.; Henry Doss, Cincinnati, W. Va.; George and A. Lyon, New Albany; Howard Fuston, Newport; Stewart Connor, Cincinnati.

These pilots, with many others, I pass down from Pittsburgh to New Orleans every year, to find what changes have been made in the channel.

THE COURTS.

Damage Suit Dragging Through the Federal.

Nothing of Interest in the Police or Circuit Court.

U. S. COURT.

The prosecution in the two railroad damage suits closed its evidence this morning in the Federal court, and this afternoon several witnesses for the defense had been heard. The case will probably be finished by tomorrow.

George Petway, Fawcett Clark and W. E. Berryman, for violation of revenue laws, were fined \$100 and given 30 days in jail.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The case of R. L. Potter against D. G. Morrie is now on trial.

A motion was today made for a new hearing in the case of C. E. Jennings, committee, against Mrs. Spaulding.

POLICE COURT.

There was but one case in Judge Samuels' court today. Robert Caldwell, colored, was arrested by Officers Senner and Smalley last night for stabbing a couple of colored women and drawing a pistol on them. He had the pistol on him when arrested. He was fined \$50 and given twenty days in jail.

The Spanish steamer, Monserat, being Gen. Weyler, reached Corinth, Spain, yesterday. He will not go ashore until Barcelona is reached, and meanwhile Spain is sending itself a case of controversy as to the right of receipt to be accorded him.

LONDON IS BURNING.

The Biggest Fire in the History of the City Raging—Loss Will be Untold Millions.

The Competitor's Crew Has at Last Been Released—Blanco Not Pleased With Affairs in Cuba.

London, Nov. 19.—The biggest fire in the history of London is now raging. Fifty fine stores have already been destroyed. All the street along the Thames is ablaze. The loss will be untold millions.

FREE AT LAST.

The Competitor's Crew Released By Spaniards, After a Pardon at Madrid.

Havana, Nov. 19.—In pursuance of cable instructions from Spain, received Wednesday, Capt. General Blanco yesterday released from Cabana fortress Alfredo Lahorde, Charles Barnett, Ona Melon and William Gilson, members of the crew of the American schooner Competitor, captured in April, 1936, by the Spanish gunboat Messagera on a charge of filibustering. They were delivered to the American and British consuls and have taken passage on the steamer Saratoga, of the Ward Line, for New York.

A number of families who have been at Las Posas under the "concentration" order will be removed at the expense of the municipality to a private hospital. There is no diminution in the mortality from starvation and disease.

BLANCO WAS DECEIVED.

And His Plainly Says That Gen. Weyler Did It.

New York, Nov. 19.—A dispatch from Havana says:

"There is no sign yet of the full text of the promised reforms, and in consequence the hopes of the most optimistic autonomist are dwindling away. The fault lies not with Gen. Blanco. There is every reason to believe that his promises on arrival were made in good faith. He is evidently deeply incensed at the false position in which he is placed. He cabled to Madrid a day or two ago, saying Gen. Weyler had deceived him as to the condition of the army and the government had misled him regarding their sincerity in promising autonomy, and broadly intimated that he felt inclined to ask to be relieved."

"Every military commander of a town met, and he had not yet received any orders regarding the extension of the zones of cultivation. The condition of the reconcentrados is appalling. Unless Gen. Blanco makes more headway than he has done yet, autonomy will be a dead letter in the Cuban sense."

A BOY'S FATALITY.

Williamson, Mich., Nov. 18.—John Burgess, a youth of nineteen, last night shot and killed George Hart at Madison, a hamlet four miles west. Hart, who was engaged to marry Burgess' sister, disguised himself as a cowboy and tried to frighten Burgess, who became angry and killed the supposed tramp.

AN IS QUIET.

English, Ind. Nov. 19.—President Weathers is here and has opened the bank's vault. There has been no demonstration, and Weathers and his friends are trying to make a settlement.

FRANKS TAKES CHARGE NEXT MONDAY.

Washington, Nov. 18.—Internal Revenue Agent C. W. S. was today notified by Commissioner Perkins to check up the accounts of Calhoun Yandell at the close of business next Monday, so that the office may be transferred to Collector Franks on that day.

BAPTIST CONGRESS ADJOURNS.

Closing Sessions Devoted to Discussions—By Leading Lights of the Church.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—This was the last day of the Baptist Congress. The morning and afternoon sessions were devoted to a discussion of two subjects, "The Psychology of Conversion" and "The Power of the Cross in the Life of the Believer." Six of the leading lights of the church were appointed to speak on the two questions. "The Psychology of Conversion" was discussed by Prof. Nath Davis, of the University of Virginia; National Butler, President of Colby University, Waterville, Me.; President W. S. Ryland, of Bethel College, Russellville, Ky., and Prof. J. H. Harris, of Lewisburg, Pa.

At the afternoon session "The Power of the Cross in the Life of the Believer" was discussed in papers by Rev. J. F. Dinkinson, of Orange, N. J., and Rev. Donald D. McLaughlin, of Detroit. The latter was not able to be present and his paper was read by an substitute. No place was selected for the congress of next year.

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One hundred new sample dress skirts, in all of the new Conchee plaids and checks, well worth \$2.50 and \$3.00, our price \$1.50. Another lot in the series, crepons and fancy flared skirts, worth \$5.00, \$8.00 and \$12.00, our price \$2.50, \$4.00 and \$6.00.

Handsome silk waists made to order, \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00, worth double the price.

A new lot of sample capes, all styles and colors.

MILLINERY DEPARTMENT

A beautiful lot of black velvet pattern hats, profusely trimmed with rich ostrich feathers, the most stylish hats of the season. These hats are well worth \$7.00 and \$8.00—our price \$3.50 and \$4.00.

Another lot of handsomely trimmed hats, twenty-five different styles to select from. These hats are well worth \$1.00 and \$1.50—our price 50¢ and \$2.50.

Another lot of new trimmed hats, all colors. These hats, while they last, go for \$1.00.

A new lot of fine hair switches, regular price \$3.00 and \$4.00, while they last our price \$2.00 and \$2.50.

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Special Sale.
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1 qt. cranberries, 10c.
1 qt. chow-chow, 20c.
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Choice Northern Potatoes, 70c.
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24 lbs. choice flour, 55c.
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Notice to Shippers.

The Illinois Central Railroad company is now prepared to handle all shipments through Memphis to Illinois Central and Yazoo and Mississippi Valley stations, Arkansas, Texas and western points; also through New Orleans via Southern Pacific or Texas and Pacific railroad to Louisiana, Texas and western points. J. T. DUNOVAN, 1744 Com'l Agent.

The question is asked, why are Hank Bros. & Jones selling so many stoves, both heating and cooking? Because all the goods are new, none carried over from last year. 1748

Incandescent lamp globes suitable for system for sale at McPherson's Drug store. 17

LOCAL MENTION.

Our subscribers are requested to report any neglect on part of carrier or any other employee of this office. Should you fail to get your paper we will consider it a great favor if you will report to the business office or ring telephone 358.

Notice to the Public.

Lost—Three notes, given by E. Gish, drawn in favor of either W. W. Kimball Co., or Mr. J. I. Langston, given about the middle of Oct., 1897, payable as follows: First note drawn for six months; second note drawn for twelve months; and third note drawn for eighteen months, of \$50 each, drawing interest at 4 percent. The said notes are the property of W. W. Kimball Co., given for the sale of a Kimball piano, No. 30,710. We hereby notify the public that said notes belong to W. W. Kimball Co., and forbid any negotiations of said notes.
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How's This?

We offer one Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.
K. J. CHASEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.
We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions, and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.
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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75¢ per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Testimonials free. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Notice.

Jansen Branch No. 83, Catholic Knights and Ladies, will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at Cecilia Hall.

How long have you been coughing—a day, a week, a month, a year? Dr. Bell's Pine Tar Honey will cure that cough. There can be no doubt of it, because it has cured many others equally severe. Everyone should investigate the merits of this great remedy.
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On Nov. 2, Nov. 16, Dec. 7 and Dec. 21 the Illinois Central Railroad company will sell first class round-trip tickets to certain points in Alabama, Arizona, Colorado, Dakota, Iowa, Idaho, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Mississippi, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oregon, Tennessee, Utah, Wisconsin and Wyoming at one rate, plus \$2. for the round trip, good for twenty-one days to return. For tickets or further information apply to
J. T. DUNOVAN, C. A., Paducah, Ky.

Yellow Fever Entirely Disappeared.
Quarantine having been raised in all the Southern states, the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railway has resumed the sale of tickets to all local and foreign points.
F. B. TEACUTT, C. P. & T. A., 425 Broadway, Paducah, Ky.

Winter Tourist Rates.
The Illinois Central Railroad company has now on sale tickets to prominent winter resorts in Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Texas, New Mexico and Mexico at reduced rates. For further information apply to
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Campbell-Mulvihill Coal Company will fill your coal house now cheaper than anyone. Call and make contract.

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PERSONALS.

L. Clements, of Carbonate, is at Hotel Gilbarto.
John Walker, of St. Louis, is at Hotel Gilbarto.
Mr. Ed Matt has gone to Louisville on a visit.

Master Commissioner Ed A. Puryear became an Elk last night.
Mr. M. Livingston has been on the sick list, but is out today.

Mrs. Clay Roberts, of Mayfield, is a guest of Mrs. J. R. Puryear and family.

Lieut. F. W. Smith, of Ft. Niobrara, Neb., is in the city for a few days.

Mrs. J. L. Welsh and Miss Julia Scott left at noon for Trenton, Tenn., on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. George Coker, of the South Side, are parents of a fine boy, born last night.

John Lehubert, an old Paducah boy, but now in the detective service at Evansville, Ind., is in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Ferrell are happy over an addition to their family, a girl baby, who arrived this morning.

Mr. W. G. Whitner and wife, of Muhlenberg county, left today for home, after a visit to Constable Miller and family, of the county.

There was a large and appreciative audience at Morton's opera house last night to witness "The Heart of Chicago." The play was all that was claimed for it.

A large crowd is attending the silver anniversary of the Mite Society of the First Baptist church, at the residence of Mrs. J. R. Puryear, on North Eighth street.

Marcus Goldsmith and Col. Menzeer, two of the most popular drummers on the road, are in the city. Marcus is an old Paducah boy, having been born and reared here. Menzeer has been coming to Paducah for twenty years and always has a good trade.

Dr. W. R. Clement, who has just located in this city, has been a practicing physician for five years and has just returned from a seven months' course in the Chicago Polyclinic. He is a son of Senator F. M. Clement, of Crittenden county. His card announcing his location and office hours will be found in another column in this issue.

LOCAL NOTES.

Mike Omar Perhaps Fatally Hurt on the N. C. & St. L.

Dr. Whitesides' Residence Burglarized.—Other Matters of Interest.

Bill Thompson, colored, who is serving a sentence in the county jail for stealing wine from George Dotzel, for whom he was working, is wanted in Newton, Kansas, for shooting at "Red" Woodford, but the expense of transporting him would be so great that he will not be carried back.
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M. M. Omar, an employee of the N. C. & St. L. bridge force, was seriously, and perhaps fatally, injured near Oaks, this county, about nine miles from Paducah, at 11 o'clock this morning.

He was at work on a bridge when he lost his balance and fell, sustaining injuries of the spine, and perhaps internal injuries.

He was brought to the city and taken to the Boyd Infirmary for treatment. His home is near Nashville, Tenn.

George Ham, a well known young man of Florence Station, aged 17, died last night of pneumonia. He was a son of Wm. Ham.

The sewerage work continues on Third street, but little progress perceptible. Most of the streets where excavations have been made, have now been cleared of dirt, and are in good condition.

This has been a dull day in police circles. Most offenders seem somewhat idle, and for over a week there has not been an arrest of importance.

There were several burglaries at Mayfield last night. The residence of Mr. Manton J. Davis was entered and a watch, some line spectacles and \$4 stolen. Mr. D. Z. McClements' residence and several others were entered but nothing was secured.

Dr. C. E. Whitesides' residence was entered by burglars last night, and a quantity of fine silverware, a guitar, and some other little things were stolen. He reported the matter to the police, and the guitar was found out near the railroad track, where it had been thrown by the thief.

Constable Henry McKee, of Pine Grove Station, was in the city today and reports everything quiet out in his section. There has been no lawlessness in the neighborhood for some time.

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A Pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder.
40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

CORNER STONE.

Impressive Ceremonies at the Laying.

School Board and Council Attend in a Body.

The Paducah public schools were dismissed for the day at noon today, in order that they might witness the impressive ceremonies incident to laying the corner stone of the new school building on West Broadway.

As the sun goes to press, a large crowd surrounds the building to hear the program, which is as follows:

Music—by Dean's band.
Chorus—"America"—by school children.
Prayer.

Address—by Rev. W. K. Penrod.
Chorus—"Battle Hymn of the Republic"—by school children.

Laying of corner stone—under auspices of Masonic order—Grand Master K. H. Thompson officiating.
Music—by Dean's band.

Prayer and invocation.
The corner stone, on the north side bears the inscription: "Washington, 1897."

The east side contains the names of the present board of education, as follows:

James M. Lang, president.
Richard G. Terrell, treasurer.
Weston H. Brain, secretary.
John M. Byrd.
John G. Brooks.
John S. Jackson.

Our line of Boys' and Children's Shoes are the best values in the city.

Wm. A. Lawrence.
Chas. M. Leech.
Joseph Mattison.
Cassius C. Rose.
James R. Smith.
Ulysses S. Webster.

Before being sealed, a box was placed inside in which were copies of the daily papers, city charter, names of school teachers, council etc., other public documents, and many small articles. Mr. W. A. Lawrence had charge of this part of the program.

Grand Master Thompson arrived this morning on the 2 o'clock train from Louisville, and was met by a delegation of Masons and escorted to the Palmer House.

A large crowd went out to witness the ceremonies this afternoon.

Tonight Grand Master Thompson will be tendered an informal reception at the Palmer House.

The school board and part of the council and Mayor Yeiser, lead by Dean's band, in a body.

Bents 16 to 1.
Proctor & Grisbain, Regent, La. write: "We have sold twenty-four bottles of Dr. Mendenhall's Chili Cure to one of our other places we have had it in stock, and we have five other brands." It is not the best remedy for malarial complaints you have ever tried. Du Bois & Co. will refund the money. Price 50c. if

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